

Holsman, Marianne

From: Holsman, Marianne
Sent: Tuesday, September 24, 2013 4:28 PM
To: Amon, Tyler; Lastra, Julie; Conger, Nick
Cc: Dunbar, Bill
Subject: FW: Chicken area

Hi Folks:

Deliberative

Thanks all.

Marianne

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From: Sean Doogan [mailto:sean@alaskadispatch.com]
Sent: Tuesday, September 24, 2013 2:02 PM
To: Holsman, Marianne
Subject: Re: Chicken area

- 1) How were the mines to be visited by the task force picked? It seems every operating mine in the area was visited (the ones that were not had already shut down for season)? Many of the miners contacted claim they have never before been out-of-compliance. Examples are :C.R. "Dick" Hammond, and Chris Race.
- 2) If miners actions were egregious enough to warrant enforcement (not compliance check) action, why weren't any shut down or cited on-the-spot? If they were indeed committing felony violations of the Clean Water Act or parts of the Act, they would still be doing that, long after the task force left the area.
- 3) Why was Ken Fisher accompanied to the Meeting in Chicken by an armed enforcement officer? Did the EPA believe he needed armed escort to a meeting? Has he ever been escorted to a meeting by an enforcement officer before?
- 4) Is the EPA cooperating with the Governor's Special Counsel investigation into the actions of the task force?
- 5) Why didn't task force officers stop to identify themselves before approaching sluice boxes?

Thanks,

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On Tue, Sep 24, 2013 at 9:39 AM, Holsman, Marianne <Holsman.Marianne@epa.gov> wrote:

Hello Sean:

Can you please send me your questions in writing?

Thanks.

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From: Sean Doogan [mailto:sean@alaskadispatch.com]
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Marianne,

Have you been able to get some answers to the questions I raised during our last phone call?

Thanks,

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